



DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES

CITY OF CHICAGO

TO: Steven Berlin
Executive Director
Board of Ethics

FROM:



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Chief Procurement Officer
Department of Procurement Services

Re: Update regarding a potential conflict of interest

Date: October 21, 2016

This memorandum is intended to update you on a matter that I last reported to you on March 6, 2015. On that date, I informed you that my husband, Michael Carlson, who was previously employed by Leopardo Companies, Inc. ("Leopardo"), would enter into the employ of AECOM, which has numerous contracts with the City as well as other pending matters over which I had exercised management and control, until I recused myself on January 20, 2015. As of June 1, 2016, Mr. Carlson ended his employment with AECOM and started working at the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, a municipal corporation.

Accordingly, as a result of Mr. Carlson leaving the employment of both Leopardo and AECOM, some of the prior steps that I have taken with respect to management and/or control decisions regarding the JOC program which were put in place in 2012, as well as those regarding AECOM are no longer necessary. Therefore, I will now return to administering the City's JOC program and other contract matters, including those regarding AECOM, as authorized by the Municipal Purchasing Act and the Municipal Code of Chicago. Please contact me should there be any questions, or should you require further information regarding this matter.